THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF IDAHO BOISE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2003-12

ALLOTMENT MANAGEMENT PLANS IDAHO STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AS LEAD AGENCY

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Public Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-514; Stat. 1803) provide for, among other things, careful and considered consultation, cooperation, and coordination between the Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, federal grazing permittees and lessees, and any state having lands within areas to be included in allotment management plans; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho State Department of Agriculture has signed Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) with the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and the University of Idaho to coordinate and implement the congressional intent of the aforementioned act;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, by the authority vested in me, under the Constitution and laws of the State of Idaho, do hereby designate the Idaho State Department of Agriculture to serve as the lead agency to consult, cooperate, and coordinate with the parties involved in matters relating to the development, implementation, and revision of allotment management plans; to provide a process for dispute resolution; and to receive and expend such monies as are available for these purposes. Further, I hereby direct all state agencies to cooperate fully with, and provide assistance to, the Idaho State Department of Agriculture in carrying out its responsibilities under this order.

This Executive Order shall cease to be effective four years after its entry into force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this fourteenth day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand and three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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